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FIVE CARS BEANS SHIPPED LAST WEEK

Wet Weather Interferes with
Threshing and Haul-
ing

FOUR MORE CARS ARE NOW LOADING

With Orders on File for Twenty
Cars during next Ten
Days

In spite of the wet weather and consequent heavy roads, five carloads of beans were billed out from the local Santa Fe station during the past week. This brings the total to date to twenty cars, representing a cash value of over \$40,000.

Four cars were being loaded yesterday, and Agent Copeland informs us that he has orders for two cars per day for the next ten days now on file. As the roads are becoming more settled, so the farmers can bring in the beans, and the price of beans advancing the shipments will increase during the coming weeks.

Purchases Well Drill

Dalton Priddy has received word from his uncle, George B. Priddy, who left a few weeks ago to secure a well drilling outfit, stating that he had secured one good outfit and had an option on a second. He expected to load the one for shipment on the 14th, which should bring it here the latter part of the week. He has had some twenty years experience in well drilling and should understand something about his business. Both the uncle and nephew will be interested in the work of drilling. While they have not contracted any wells, they are in touch with a number who contemplate putting down wells and are confident they will have all they can do.

82,400 Pounds from 80 Acres

We have just secured final figures on the eighty acre bean crop grown by Gus Dunn, which totaled 82,400 pounds. So far as we have heard Mr. Dunn holds the record for a single acre, having threshed 1600 pounds from a measured acre. His late beans did not do so well, so the total average was cut down somewhat. But even at that he had over a thousand pounds per acre which is some beans.

Sunday Services

Rev. S. Alonzo Bright, superintendent of the English District of the New Mexico Conference, will be in Mountainair next Sunday and conduct quarterly services at the Methodist Church, preaching at 11 o'clock. In the afternoon he will be at Round Top schoolhouse, and at night at Estancia. All are urged to attend these services.

Republican Primary

Committeeman Chas. L. Burt has issued a call for a precinct primary to be held on Friday night at 7:30 o'clock at his office in Mountainair to select two delegates to the county convention at Estancia, to be held Monday of next week. All members of the G. O. P. within the precinct are urged to be present.

Independents to Convene

The Independent Republicans will hold their County Convention at Estancia, next Tuesday, October 24th, according to a call issued by José Sanchez Vigil, chairman, and Antonio Candelario, secretary, to the purpose of nominating candidates for county offices.

OVER 60 PER CENT. PERFECT IN ATTENDANCE

Interest of Board in Schools
Continues

Of a total enrollment of 106 during the first month, Mountainair had 60 who were neither tardy nor absent. This is remarkable when we compare it with other schools in the state. This report is very gratifying but is not the high mark that will be set by the pupils of the public schools this year. Watch the "Honor Roll"

Anyone who remembers the rain on Friday of last week and can realize that 88 pupils were in attendance on that day, coming from homes within a radius of five miles may be assured that the pupils of Mountainair district are interested in their work and feel that when they miss a day of school they have missed something and that it is lost forever.

A new physiology cabinet and an 18-inch globe have been installed in Mrs. Veal's room. The globe is suspended from the ceiling balanced by an iron weight and can be conveniently raised and lowered as desired. These are valuable additions to the equipment and are very attractive in appearance.

The Board of Education consisting of President W. R. Orme, Secretary Mrs. G. V. Hanlon, and Judge M. B. Fuller held their first meeting in the directors room in the new High School building yesterday afternoon.

On account of the inclemency of the weather last week the High school girls postponed their "pie social" until Saturday night Oct 21 and would be glad for a large attendance and an abundance of pies.

The High School is busy with their first examinations and are anxiously looking forward to their first reports of the year. Cards will be out on Monday.

The "ers of good feeling" so prevalent during the early weeks of school, still continues and we believe it will continue throughout the year.

We are ending our sixth week with a total enrollment of 112 and we believe that we can boast of the largest school in the county to date.

Do the teachers pupils and patrons appreciate their Board of Education?

One Less Burro

On Monday afternoon, a Rocky Mountain Canary disputed the right to the right of way of the Santa Fe at the local depot with the west bound passenger train, much to the damage of the said Canary. The section crew was busy some time following the departure of the train, gathering up the fragments and making interment thereof, of what was at one time an ordinary burro.

Democratic Primary

A democratic primary is hereby called to meet at the schoolhouse Friday night, October 20, at 7:30 p. m., precinct of Mountainair, for the purpose of selecting three delegates to the Democratic County Convention to be held at Estancia, on Tuesday, October 24, to place in nomination a county ticket, and such other business as may properly come before said primary.

W. R. Orme, pet. chairman.

A. B. Stirman Dead

Albin T. Stirman died at his home some ten miles north of Mountainair Tuesday evening about 5:15 o'clock, after an illness of less than a week. Deceased was about 35 years of age. The body was taken to Wichita Falls, Texas by a brother and the widow a bride of less than six months.

THINGS OF INTEREST FROM OUR NEIGHBORS

Married Last Sunday at Liberty Point

Married—Sunday evening, September 15th, at the residence of the bride's parents, Hallie Yarbrough to Miss Volada Alford, Rev. W. D. Garrison officiating. Many relatives and friends witnessed the ceremony. We wish them a happy wedded life.

Liberty Point is located sixteen miles southeast of Mountainair, about the same distance southwest of Willard and nine miles south of Roundtop schoolhouse, where the eastern school in district No. 37 is being conducted. In this community there were only two families last year. Now there are twenty or more, and several others have filed, who will be here soon. We have a fine country here, some fine prairie land, some timber. Several good farms are opening up.

We have preaching services twice a month at this place. On the first Sabbath by Rev. Perkins and on the 4th by Rev. W. D. Garrison. Sabbath school and singing every Sabbath evening. Let all come and help carry on the good work.

Messrs. Adams and Shewmake, who made filings on land in our community will build houses as soon as they can secure the material for that purpose.

Mr. Joe Reed's house on his homestead is in course of erection and will be ready for occupancy soon.

Mr. McPhanney has a store here in our community which is very convenient for us.

We have had quite a wet spell, which has checked crop gathering and threshing.

School at Liberty Point is progressing fine, with Miss Gladys Gott as teacher.

Harvests 4 Barrels of Apples at Eastview

B. B. Spencer harvested four barrels of very fine Jonathan apples—the only apples grown in this vicinity. The frost in May killed almost all the fruit except these apples. B. B. says the Jonathan is the best apple for this altitude.

We are having the rainest week of the season. It is interfering with bean stacking, and it is feared will damage some of the beans. Fodder and hay are not benefitted any by the excessive moisture.

B. B. Spencer, Floyd, Charles, John and Roy and Mr. and Mrs. E. Peña all attended the Fairs at Willard and Estancia.

Clecker & Snell are ranging their sheep on the Gross, Kelly & Co. land near Eastview.

The Kayser Bros. are running their bean thresher, doing extra good work. J. S. Spencer is running the saw at the Reymundo Romero mill.

Joe Purcella is making improvements in the way of corrals and fence.

Antonio Torres has a fine crop of pumpkins and squash.

Roberto Chavez has several fine ricks of hay and oats.

Work Progressing Nicely at Scholle

(Special Correspondence to the Independent)

H. A. Woods and family have moved into the new house recently erected by D. J. Humphreys near Pohl's store. Mr. Woods expects to build in the near future. Several new residences are to be built soon as the tents are rather breezy these cool nights.

The Abo Canyon Copper Mining Co.

Favorably Impressed with Pleasant View

F. G. Krigger and wife of Ada, Oklahoma, spent the week end in the Walpole home. This family accompanied by their son, and niece, who is stopping in Mountainair, will leave this week for San Francisco, via El Paso, where they will spend the winter. Mr. Krigger is very favorably impressed with this county. Being an old miner, he says the mountains look good to him.

We would like to have a visit from some minister the second Sunday in November. Bro. Williams of Estancia was with us the second Sunday in the month. Perhaps a Methodist minister would visit us. You are invited.

We want to give you a gentle reminder of that Box Supper at the schoolhouse Friday night the 27th inst. The candidates will have a fine opportunity to tell what office they are seeking by being present, and we invite you.

Sherman Bruner played butcher this week, having killed a 2-year-old steer, selling among his neighbors. Yes and it was fine too. Folks say they would be glad to have him murder one each month, if not oftener.

Sunday school was well attended in spite of the inclement weather Sunday. Yes and a new pupil. You are invited to attend. We meet regularly each Sunday at 10 o'clock.

The Singing Class met Sunday afternoon, preparatory to the Singing Convention which will be held the 1st Sunday in November at the schoolhouse here.

This community has enjoyed one week of rain. With the season starting so nicely, the probabilities are a successful crop another year.

Mr. Meadow and son will begin threshing beans again Monday, after a week's rest on account of the recent rains.

On account of the heavy rains this week, Miss Gladys Bruner was absent from her school duties at town.

Guy Martin and wife and F. G. Krigger and wife took an outing last Sunday in the mountains.

Mr. Clark and family came out from Mountainair and spent the week-end at home.

W. W. Manning was in Manzano this week looking after well drilling business.

Mrs. Waggoner and daughter Ethel were shopping in Mountainair Monday.

shipped another car of ore Tuesday and has three more cars on tracks loading. Mr. Keith, the superintendent, reports the ore still holding out good and of a good quality.

Prospector Brown has returned from the hills and reports some very promising locations. Plenty of vacant ground yet and possibly as good as has been prospected.

Mr. Story has resumed work on the Cavins & Garrett property. He claims the ore is as good quality as the two cars he shipped recently.

On account of the rainy weather last week, business has not been rushing the past few days, but shows signs of improvement again.

Mrs. H. A. Woods is back from Albuquerque where she went for medical attention, having suffered a light attack of pneumonia.

Mrs. E. C. Hecthorn was in Albuquerque the first of the week having her eyes treated and glasses fitted.

Mr. and Mrs. Conant passed through town Tuesday on their way from their ranch to Belen in their Studebaker.

Hugh Anderson left the first of the week for Holbrook, Arizona, for a few days on business.

JUNTA DEMOCRATA EN MOUNTAINAIR

Los Hons. A. A. Jones, W. B. Walton y Antonio Lucero Asistiran

Los Honorables A. A. Jones, candidato por senador de los Estados Unidos, W. B. Walton, candidato para representante en los EE. UU., y Antonio Lucero, candidato para Secretario de Estado, todos en el boleto democrata, estarán en Mountainair, el Lunes, día 23 de Octubre, y tendrán una junta en la casa de escuela a las 10 de la mañana. Todos tres de estos hombres dijeron la palabra, y todos los votantes deben asistir para oír la discusión de las cosas de esta campaña; se hablarán en ambos idiomas español e inglés.

Convencion Republicana del Condado, Octubre 23

Según informes recibidos por esta redacción, una llamada ha sido expedida por el Sr. Don Candido Padilla, presidente de la comisión republicana del condado, para una Convención Republicana de Condado, de ser tenida en Estancia el Lunes, día 23 de Octubre de 1916, con el fin de nominar candidatos en el Boleto Republicano para los varios destinos del condado.

Aviso a los Votantes

Aviso es por éste dado que los libros de Enregistración del Precinto Num. 15, condado de Torrance, están ahora abiertos en la oficina de John W. Corbett, escribano del cuerpo. Todos los votantes, legalmente calificados, pueden enregistrar hasta diez días antes de la fecha de la Elección, día 7 de Noviembre de 1916.

Manuel Barela,
Chas. L. Burt,
John W. Corbett,
Cuerpo de Enregistración.

Hotel Arrivals

Commercial Hotel

O. F. Zolteman, Albuquerque
A. Tabet
H. R. Ankery, El Paso
Mrs. S. Blanchard, Arabela, N. M.
F. L. Blanchard, "
W. E. Blanchard, "
Harry Halstead, "
Dorothy Halstead, "
Floyd Moore, Belen
J. F. Bowyer, Albuquerque
A. Gale
Frank Hill
C. E. Doll, Santa Fe
J. G. Mayo, Albuquerque
D. H. Russell
L. V. Sloucher
Harry Robinson
T. W. Pearce
G. W. Gephart
L. J. Tillery
A. J. Trujillo
Grant S. Ewing
V. V. Campbell

Hotel Abo

C. W. Hixson, Joplin, Mo.
J. S. Beattie, Seattle, Wash.
J. F. Clemmons, Kansas City
M. A. Dodge, New York
C. D. Ogier
Dalton Priddy
H. O. Robertson, Albuquerque
R. R. Rul, Clovis
Dr. J. W. Laws, Lincoln
Clayton Smith, Wilmington, N. C.
R. F. Asplund, Santa Fe
I. J. Rely
T. M. Evans
J. H. Woodruff, Albuquerque
H. E. Rely, Wichita
R. J. Lentz, Magdalena
Mrs. A. C. Stirman
Clint Stirman
F. C. Krieger, Ada, Okla.
F. L. Rieger
Rittie Krieger
M. E. Brown

ASPLUND PRAISES LOCAL SCHOOLS

Five Hundred More Children
of School Age than a
Year ago

COUNTY SCHOOLS MAKE RAPID PROGRESS

Under the Efficient Superintendency of Charles L. Burt

R. F. Asplund, for years connected with the State Superintendent's office as chief clerk, and now with the New Mexico Taxpayers Association, was here the first of the week, spending a day with County Superintendent Burt in checking over the levies to be made for school purposes. Mr. Asplund understands the new school law perhaps better than any other person and is explaining the law and its application to the various county superintendents.

Among other things, Mr. Asplund was surprised to find from Mr. Burt's records that there are five hundred more children in Torrance county of school age, than there were a year ago. Using the average as taken by the state office, this represents an increase in population of the county of 1,750. He spoke most flatteringly of the records of the county superintendent and the progress the schools have made under Mr. Burt's supervision.

The Mountainair school building came in for high praise by Mr. Asplund, who said the people who will build such a structure are the kind who build empires; they show they have the stuff in them, and will win out. He urged Mountainair people to advertise their building and school facilities, as these will bring in the right kind of people. Real home builders want the best of school advantages.

Mr. Asplund went from here to Carrizozo, where he will assist the Lincoln county superintendent.

Pie Social

The Girls High School Basket Ball team will hold a pie social in the church on Saturday evening, October 21. The proceeds will be used to buy outfit for this years team and it is desired that all the friends be present.

The ladies are requested to bring pies.

New Mill

Just as we go to press we learn that a deal is on which will bring a good mill to Mountainair. We cannot get details at present, but will try to have them for the next issue.

Convencion Democrata del Condado, Octubre 24

La Convención Democrata de Condado del condado de Torrance es por éste llamada de ser tenida en Estancia el día 24 de Octubre de 1916 a las 10 de la mañana, para nominar candidatos en el Boleto Democrata para destinos de condado en la elección día 7 de Noviembre de 1916.

Cada miembro de la Comisión Central es notificado de llamar y tener una primaria en su precinto para elegir delegados a la convención de condado.

Cada precinto está entitulado a un delegado por cada diez votos o mayor parte del mismo, votados para Ferguson en ese precinto en el año de 1914; y cada precinto, sin miramientos al voto así votado, está entitulado a menos un delegado a dicha Convención de Condado.

Fecha en Estancia, el día 9 de Octubre de 1916.

J. N. BURTON,
Presidente de la Comisión Democrata Central del Condado de Torrance.
RALPH G. ROBERSON,
Secretario.